

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING



August 16, 2005

Dear Colleague:

The Office of Professional Preparation Services will conduct statewide regional information meetings providing an update of important information on the current status of No Child Left Behind policy and other issues impacting teacher preparation and certification, as well as recent revisions to criminal checks for teachers, administrators, and educational support staff. Intermediate and local school district superintendents, public school academy officials, and private school administrators are encouraged to attend. Please share this notice with your human resources directors, as well.

You and other interested staff are invited to attend any session that is convenient. In order to help us plan for refreshments, we do ask that you e-mail your attendance to Denise Dickenson at <u>dickensond@michigan.gov</u> by September 8, 2005. There is no registration fee for attendance.

Maps and directions will be available on our website www.michigan.gov/mde the first week of September. All facilities are tobacco-free including parking lot and vehicles, unless noted with an *. The 2005 schedule is as follows:

Date/Time	Location	Address
September 14 (Wednesday)	Marquette-Alger RESA	321 East Ohio Marquette, MI 49855-3847
September 15 (Thursday)	Cheboygan-Ostego-Presque ESD	6065 Learning Ln. Indian River, MI 49749-9357
October 4 (Tuesday)	Ottawa ISD	13565 Port Sheldon St. Holland, MI 49424-9242
October 5 (Wednesday)	Kalamazoo RESA	1819 E Milham Ave. Kalamazoo, MI 49002-3095
October 10 (Monday)	Bay Arenac ISD	4228 Two Mile Rd. Bay City, MI 48706-2397

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October 13 (Thursday)	Wayne RESA	33500 Van Born Rd. Wayne, MI 48184-0807
October 17 (Monday)	Oakland ISD	2111 Pontiac Lake Rd. Waterford, MI 48917
October 18 (Tuesday)	Holiday Inn-West	7501 West Saginaw St. Lansing, MI 48328-2736

Enclosed is a tentative agenda for your review. **PLEASE NOTE**: Registration is from 8:30 to 9 a.m.; the meeting will start at 9 a.m. Staff presentations will be followed by a question and answer period.

We invite you to contact us with any specific questions/issues you would like to have addressed. The staff of the Office of Professional Preparation Services is looking forward to meeting and talking with you.

Sincerely,

Flora L. Jenkins, Ph.D.

Director

Office of Professional Preparation Services

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Enclosure

TEACHER CERTIFICATION UPDATE MEETING

AGENDA

8:30 – 9:00	Registration
9:00	Welcome and Introductions
9:10	Teacher Certification Requirements and Administrator Continuing Education Requirements
9:40	Legislative Updates
9:50	No Child Left Behind Issues
10:30	Break
10:45	Professional Practices/SB-CEUs
11:30	REP Reporting Requirements
12:00	Closing Questions/Comments